



Life Course

Interventions

Brief Name

Availability of Psychiatrists

Indicator

Rate of psychiatrists per 100,000.

Description

This measure is the ratio of psychiatrists to the general population, calculated from the Bureau of Labor Statistics data. This is not a measure specific to child psychiatrists.

WI	US	Best	Worst
5.7*	7.6	36.5	1.4
per 100,000		per 100,000	
Year		DC	NV

2015

Numerator

Number of psychiatrists

Denominator

Number of residents, per 100,000

*Indicates statistically significant difference from the US value at $p < 0.05$.

Importance

Psychiatrists frequently provide mental health services to children and families, specifically medication and referrals.

Limitations

This is not a measure specific to child psychiatrists.

This is a statewide estimate and does not account for regional variations or provider scarcities in rural areas.

These occupational employment numbers are estimates calculated with data collected from employers, not direct counts of providers.

Availability of psychiatrists does not provide information about the number who are taking new patients, or who take patients with various types of insurance, such as Medicaid.

Source

Bureau of Labor Statistics, accessed at [bls.gov](https://www.bls.gov).